

QUARTERLY ISSUES LIST SECOND QUARTER 1999

ISSUE	TITLE	DESCRIPTION	TIME	DATE	DURATION
Employment, Jobs, Under- Employment & Business	St College Municipal Bldg	Plans for a new municipal building have cleared another hurdle and the \$10-million projects is expected to begin construction by early fall. The facility will mean more jobs for local residents.	6pm	6/24/99	1:10
	Tour de Toona	The six-day bicycling event is beginning and the event is expected to generate some \$3-million dollars for the local economy.	6pm	6/21/99	1:15
	Laurel Crest	It took a year, but 550 union workers at Laurel Crest Manor have ratified a new contract. The ratification is good news for area residents, businesses and manor occupants.	6pm	6/18/99	1:15
	Conemaugh	Today community leaders reacted to the announcement by Conemaugh Memorial Health system's intention to cut operating expenses by \$20-million.	6pm	6/18/99	1:05
	Conemaugh Jobs Loss	Conemaugh Health System, with recent departure of its CEO Bill Casey, announced it plans to cut operating expenses by \$20-million. Spokesmen said much of this will come in the form of personnel lay-offs. Approximately 250 people, at different levels and pay grades will get the boot over the next year..	6pm	6/17/99	2:10
	Main Street	One of the most endangered spots in Americana is Main Street. Johnstown is currently looking at ways to generate more business for the downtown region. They're hoping the effort will come soon and create additional jobs for	6pm	6/14/99	1:30

Teachers	Teacher salaries are on the Debate table in one Bedford school district. Some want raises approved in January removed from the books. Others say in order to keep and attract good teachers there needs to be adequate compensation.	6pm	4/16/99	1:20
Bedford Airport	Bedford Airport expansion plans, outlined today, could help area businesses create more jobs. surveys indicate where there are adequate airport facilities and services, additional jobs are often on the horizon.	6pm	4/14/99	1:10
Curve	The Altoona Curve AA baseball team has its inaugural home opener tomorrow and The much anticipated revenue generator for the region is already paying big dividends. just construction of the new Blair County ball park created significant numbers of jobs. Excitement is building for what hopes to be a great run and boom for local service-oriented businesses.	6pm	4/14/99	:45
Cambria Airport	Cambria County Airport is putting up 23 acres of property for sale in hopes of attracting more aviation oriented businesses. It's hoped new jobs will be created and additional revenues can be raised since the land could go for as much as \$20-thousand per acre.	5:30pm	4/13/99	1:15
Snyders Strike	More than 160 employees at Snyders of Berlin are on strike. There is disagreement over wages. the union wants an additional \$1.60 per hour over the next four years.	6pm	4/12/99	1:15
PA Jobs Report	Weekly listings of job opportunities available within the 11-county viewing area of WJAC-TV. The	ROS	:20,:30,:40,:50,:60	

the region.

Sites	Johnstown leaders are currently cooperating with Cambria County officials and the state on creating seven sites for Keystone Opportunity Zones which means, businesses who build in the areas will have zero taxes for 10 years.	6pm	6/9/99	:45
No Recession in Bedford	The Bedford Chamber of Commerce reports no recession in their area. They've been out aggressively looking for new businesses to attract to the region. Once again, they are offering more tax incentives to those who will relocate to the area.	6pm	5/12/99	:55
Tourism Week	Tourism continues to be big news for the area. More and more communities are jumping on the bandwagon to find ways to capture the federal and state funding to help reel in more monies. Rep. Bud Shuster has found \$1-million in federal funding for the Rails to Trails effort. And Jen Kallin reports that Cambria County is gearing up for the tourism dollars to be made during the upcoming Keystone State Games and the County Air Show.	6pm	5/3/99	1:10
PSU	PSU began to raise \$1-billion for the University's Grand Destiny program. The effort hopes to solicit funds from alumni and friends and help create further expansion and job stimulation.	6pm	4/23/99	1:05
PSU Player	A former PSU football player turned architect has been awarded a multi-million dollar contract for the expansion of Beaver Stadium. The facility already seats in excess of 95-thousand. but the expansion will bring more spectators and dollars to the region.	6pm	4/22/99	1:00

lists are provided by the county Offices of Economic Securities. The listings include skilled and unskilled positions.

Recreation	Recreation Center	The Cambria County Commissioners 6pm 5/7/99 1:20 are working on trying to secure funding for a multi-million dollar recreational facility for Northern Cambria County. the facility would offer a variety of recreational opportunities for area residents.
	City Pool	As part of the WJAC-TV Six 6pm 4/30/99 1:15 Listens campaign...city residents have expressed concern and disappointment that Johnstown has provided for area seniors with a municipal golf course and activities center but no public swimming pool for youth.
	Philipsburg	The Philipsburg area is getting 6pm 4/20/99 1:15 new life through community environmental projects that include 2,000 tons of limestone to be placed near Cold Stream Dam to aid drainage and improve the quality of water for recreational use.
Crime	Vandals	Vandals are striking area churches 6pm 6/18/99 1:30 in the region. The latest victim is a small community church in Friedens. no motive has been offered, but small rural houses of worship seem to fit the profile.
	Drug Dealers	Johnstown police have arrested 6pm 6/14/99 1:20 two drug dealers from out of town. The two were apprehended when they attempted to consummate a deal with undercover officers.
	Jail Escape	A prisoner has escaped from a 6pm 6/12/99 1:20 Fayette County jail. The escapee is considered dangerous and law enforcement officials are searching

frantically for the prisoner.

Defense Plea	A Centre County woman has pleaded self defense in the shooting death of her husband. Area neighbors claim the couple had a history of domestic altercations.	5pm	6/10/99	1:15
Domestic Fight	A Johnstown woman found alongside an area roadway claims she was beaten and dropped there by her boyfriend. Police have arrested the boyfriend and are continuing their investigation.	5:30pm	6/7/99	1:20
Johnstown Killer	A Johnstown man is in jail tonight after having shot two men. Police are looking for a motive in the bizarre crime. The three had never met prior to the altercation.	6pm	5/7/99	1:10
Youth Held at Bay	Two men are in custody for having pulled guns on five young people at an area park. No explanation was offered other than the men were looking for bad youth.	6pm	5/4/99	1:00
Man in Jail	A convicted killer, who served time for beating his grandfather is in jail for allegedly raping a Somerset woman. Residents are stunned that the recently released man would commit such a crime.	6pm	5/5/99	1:15
Suspicious Fire	Police are investigating a suspicious fire that consumed an entire downtown Johnstown City block, destroying several businesses. Police say the fire in one facility of a business that was experiencing financial difficulties.	6pm	4/21/99	3:10
Chainsaw Assault	An area man is in custody tonight after he assaulted a woman with a chainsaw. The woman was unharmed but there was damage to her car.	6pm	4/20/99	1:00
Drug Arrest	A St. College man has been arrested	6pm	4/19/99	1:10

on charges of selling cocaine, heroin
and marijuana.

Gun Pulling A Johnstown man has been arrested 5:30pm 4/16/99 1:00
for pulling a gun on some children in
his neighborhood. He faces charges of
reckless endangerment.

Abuse Team A new child protection team has been 6pm 4/14/99 1:15
formed to help abused children. The
team is composed of Children and Youth
Services personnel, doctors and law
enforcement officials. The Cambria
County team is one of the first begun
on new a new state law requiring such
teams in every county.

Crime Many area police participated in a con- 5:30pm 4/13/99 1:10
Conference ference designed to sharpen their crisis
intervention skills. They also learned
techniques on dealing with those who
are mentally ill.

Agreement Several area police agencies signed an 5:30pm 4/12/99 1:30
agreement with the State Attorney
General to better share services for
drug investigations. It is hoped the
agreement will result in quicker
convictions.

The physician faces this and two other
charges of immoral and unprofessional
acts. If convicted he could lose his
doctor's license.
County this week.

School Security The Altoona School District plans to 6pm 6/21/99 1:20
Violence Ambassadors hire 5-10 security ambassadors for
and Education greeting people in doorways and
elsewhere. The positions are all
part time and will begin with the
new school term.

Bootcamp A Bedford County teen has been 6pm 6/8/99 1:10
sent to bootcamp after he threatened
Several classmates with a knife.

Bomb Threat	Another Northern Cambria County youth is in jail for making bomb threats on the school property. Officials are trying to get things under control.	6pm	5/20/99	1:10
Bomb Threat	Conemaugh Township School Superintendent Jerry Davitch is being criticized for not evacuating his high school today when a bomb threat was discovered on a bathroom wall mirror. Davitch said he figured it was a prank and did not feel the prank warranted extreme measures. In light of public and parental outcries he says he should have been more prudent.	6pm	5/18/99	1:20
White House Conference	Some area teens attended and others participated by distance-learning methods in a White House conference on school violence. The conference was set up in light of the Littleton, CO tragedy.	6pm...	5/13/99	1:15
Hotline	State College school district has established a hot line for students, parents and staff to handle concerns over recent trends.	6pm	5/11/99	1:00
Legislation	The State Legislature is looking at ways to help enforce and toughen gun control laws. The discussion comes in the wake of Littleton.	6pm	5/10/99	1:00
Kittanning Threat	A Kittanning student faces charges of reckless endangerment for his issuing a bomb threat in the area high school.	6pm	5/7/99	1:00
Bomb Threat	Another bomb threat was discovered today. This time at Greater Johnstown's Garfield Junior High School. The school was evacuated and students sent home because of the scare.	6pm	5/6/99	1:00

Evacuation	Northern Cambria High School was evacuated today because of a bomb threat discovered by school officials.	6pm 5/4/99 1:10
UPJ	A no tolerance policy has been issued and executed in light of destruction of property charges the last day of classes. Six students have been arraigned on burning property as a prank the last day of class at the Pitt-Johnstown campus.	6pm 5/3/99 1:10
Bomb Scare	Rumors of a bomb scare sent Rockwood students home early. No bomb was found. Police and School officials are investigating.	5:30pm 4/23/99 1:10
Forest Hills Web Site	In a follow-on to the Littleton tragedy, an anti-Forest Hills High School website has been discovered. The site is anti-athletic and academic achievers.	6pm 4/21/99 1:10
Bomb Scare	State College High School was the scene of a bomb scare today. No bomb was found and officials are investigating.	6pm 4/21/99 1:20
Heightened Security	There is heightened security at Bedford County schools. A student was caught on school grounds with a weapon. He has already received a five-day suspension.	6pm 4/20/99 1:15
Tussy Mt.	Tussy Mountain High School has Suspended a student for bringing a Knife to school.	5:30pm 4/20/99 1:15
School Funding	State Senator John Wozniak has called for increased state funding to beef up security in schools statewide. He said the monies could be used for more metal detectors or personnel to help ensure a Littleton tragedy does	6pm 4/20/99 1:00

not happen here in Pennsylvania.

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| Community
Pride/Quality
of Life | Six Listens | Six Listens: A Somerset couple was profiled team for their entrepreneurial efforts in the area. Their love of snacks has blossomed into a business. The story was part of Six Listens when members of the Exchange Club of Somerset said there are not enough positive stories in the news. | 6pm 6/14/99 1:30 |
| | The
Johnstownner | The premiere edition of The Johnstownner hit the streets. The newsletter, produced by several business is designed to highlight positive stories and news of the region. Another edition is planned soon. | 6pm 6/11/99 1:00 |
| | Atoona Curve | Game two of a five-game schedule was televised featuring the AA Pittsburgh Pirate affiliate against the Norwich Navigators. It was the high attendance This season for the club which saw 6603 people witness the contest. The club has meant economic growth to the region. | 7pm 6/19/99 3 hrs |
| | Que Hearing | The first of several public hearings is planned for tonight to solicit input from area residents on how to best use the Quemahoning Dam facility. The Dam was purchased by the commissioners of Cambria and Somerset Counties as a recreational and tourist effort. A total of seven such meetings will be held. | 6pm 6/10/99 1:10 |
| | Joe Gides | Joe Gides deals with the heat, but Works in a winter hat, coat and gloves, even though the temperature is 90 degrees. He keeps track of a dairy farm inventory in near freezing environment. | 5pm 6/8/99 1:10 |

National Register	Another section of Johnstown's Moxham section is now part of the National Register of historic places. Among other things, this means more grant money will be available to folks to spruce up their opulent homes.	5:30pm 4/14/99 1:10
Med Helo	The Conemaugh Health System Helo joined in the search for a missing boy. Unfortunately, while the boy's body was recovered, the helo was instrumental in its recovery.	5pm 4/12/99 1:20
Emergency Crews Helpful	Emergency Bedford crews were instrumental in the safe landing of a father and son whose plane was forced to make an emergency landing at the airport.	5pm 4/12/99 1:15
Heritage Kitchen	A locally-produced program celebrates the ethnic diversity in the region, as exemplified in the cuisine of the various locales. Hosted by popular local host Mary Ann Jacobs this edition of Heritage Kitchen dealt with Caribbean temptations of the pallet. Receipts were made available to the viewers over the air and also on the station's website.	12:30pm 6/2/99 30 min
People You Should Know	A regular weekly feature in the news, reporter Angie Berzonski looks at people in the region with an interesting story. Stories have ranged from an interesting past to an unusual hobby to some unique ability they possess. Featured this quarter have been the following people: 4/2 Ron Wanko – Jerome; 4/9 Dave Cente – South Fork; 4/16 Hal Webb – Jennerstown; 4/23 Rob Stemple – Bedford; 4/30 Bobby Peace – Clymer; 5/7 Mike Robertson - Indiana; 5/14 Connie Novak – Barnesboro; 5/21 Karlene Tantlinger -	6pm 4/2,9,16,23,30; 5/7,14,21,28;6/11, 18,25 1:10-1:30

Ebensburg; 5/28 George Najjar -
Johnstown; 6/11 Garmel Coco -
Johnstown; 6/18 Dennis Millin -
Turkeyfoot; 6/25 Sister Dorothy
Kline - Johnstown.

Kids You Should Know	Feature reports in an early evening newscast and again In the following Saturday TODAY SHOW. They are produced to look at kids who provide inspiration to those around them. Those featured are not necessarily the best athletes, valedictorians or most popular. The following students were featured this quarter. 4/1 - Chris Cuppett, Johnstown; 4/8 - Kristin Ondecko, No. Cambria; 4/15 - Sarah Risch, Davidsville; 4/22 - Jason Wirik, Johnstown; 4/29 - Lanette Becker, Cairnbrook; 5/6 - Ashley Gillin, Vinco; 5/20 - Crystal Bittner, Garrett; 5/27 - Mandi Winning, Boswell; 6/10 - Julie Jordan, State College; 6/17 - Bob Shumar, Johnstown; 6/24 - Jason Wirik, Johnstown	6p 4/1,8,15,22;29;5/6,20, 27;6/10,17,24, 1:30 ea.
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